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**UTILITY PATENT  
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**(Only for new nonprovisional applications  
under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.

011786

Total Pages

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**Itaru HONMA, Shigeki NOMURA, Toshiya SUGIMOTO and  
Osamu NISHIKAWA**

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS FOR:  
PROTON-CONDUCTING MEMBRANE, METHOD  
FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, AND FUEL CELL  
USING THE SAME**

ADDRESS TO:

Commissioner for Patents  
BOX PATENT APPLICATIONS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (Incorporated within this form) **(The filing fee is deferred).**
2. ☒ Specification Total Pages [82]
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) Total Sheets [4]
4. ☐ Oath or Declaration Total Pages [ ]  
**NOT attached; deferred under P.L. 97-247.**
  - a. ☐ Newly executed (original)
  - b. ☐ Copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed).
    - i. ☐ Deletion of Inventor(s)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in prior application,  
see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5. ☐ Incorporation by reference (useable if box 4b is checked)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under  
Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby  
incorporated by reference therein.
6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

8. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet and document(s)) to: (1) National Institute of Advanced Industrial  
Science and Technology, Tsukuba-shi, Japan  
(2) Itaru Honma, Tsukuba-shi, Japan  
(3) Sekisui Chemical Co., Ltd., Tsukuba-shi, Japan

**Please publish the assignee data with the application.**

9. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) [ ] Power of Attorney

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10. ☐ English translation Document (if applicable)

11. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

12. ☒ Preliminary Amendment

13. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)

14. ☐ Small Entity Status is claimed.

15. ☒ Claim for Convention Priority ☐ Certified copy of Priority Document(s)

- a. Priority of Japanese Application No. 2001-1862 filed on January 9, 2001 is claimed under 35 USC 119.
- b. Priority of Japanese Application No. 2001-269067 filed on September 5, 2001 is claimed under 35 USC 119.
- c. Priority of Japanese Application No. 2002-10 filed on January 4, 2002 is claimed under 35 USC 119.

16. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

☐ Continuation ☐ Division ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application no. \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

FEE TRANSMITTAL	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic . . Fee
The filing fee is calculated below				\$740.00
Total Claims	72 - 20	52	x \$18.00	\$936.00
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Multiple Dependent Claims			\$280.00	\$280.00
Basic Filing Fee				\$1956.00
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**18. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS:**



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Reg. No. **27,133**

Signature

Date: **January 8, 2002**